

STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITIZENS' COMMISSION ON JAIL VIOLENCE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION 500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 381B LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012

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Friday, July 6, 2012 9:00 AM

AUDIO AND VIDEO LINKS FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (12-3220)

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>AUDIO</u>

VIDEO - PART 1 VIDEO - PART 2 VIDEO - PART 3 VIDEO - PART 4 VIDEO - PART 5

Present: Chair Baird, Vice Chair Murray, Commissioner Moreno,

Commissioner McDonnell, Commissioner Tevrizian, Commissioner

Busansky and Commissioner Bonner

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. Call to Order. (12-2919)

The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m.

2. Approval of the May 14, 2012 meeting minutes. (12-2920)

On motion of Commissioner Moreno, seconded by Commissioner Bonner, and unanimously carried, this item was approved.

Ayes:

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>SUPPORTING DOCUMENT</u>

II. REPORTS

3. Reports and updates by Miriam A. Krinsky, Executive Director, Richard E. Drooyan, General Counsel, and the ad hoc committee on community outreach and engagement. (12-2921)

Miriam Krinsky, Executive Director, reported over 130 individuals have been interviewed in person and over the telephone. Later in the month a visit to the San Diego jails will be scheduled; Commissioners were encouraged to join, however no more than three can attend. Ms. Krinsky continues to request documents from the Sheriff's Department and so far has requested over 100 different categories of items. During the last two weeks they have been given access to many Internal Affairs Bureau reports and use of force files. The investigatory teams are transitioning to conducting interviews of higher level Sheriff Department personnel. Summer interns are assisting with analyses and are reviewing deposition transcripts. Ms. Krinsky is awaiting receipt of source documents relating to personnel and use of force figures from Los Angeles. New York and Chicago to prepare an analysis as requested by Commissioner Bonner at the last meeting. The website has had over 15,000 visits in total, with 700 visits per week and a surge during the week of the community forum event. The community forum event held on May 30, 2012 was attended by approximately 70 individuals. Ms. Krinsky responded to questions posed by the Commissioners.

Richard Drooyan, General Counsel, reported that follow up interviews remain as to particular areas or questions they may need more information about in the course of drafting the report. The Sheriff's Department and County Counsel are cooperating with them in providing requested documents and production has been more expeditious. The investigatory teams have experienced some difficulty getting former and current Sheriff's employees to speak with them. However, the Sheriff is encouraging current personnel to speak with CCJV. Commissioners will be given an opportunity to review drafts of the final report. The investigatory teams will present their draft recommendations and summarize their findings in public and get the Commissioners' final feedback prior to drafting final recommendations. Mr. Drooyan responded to questions posed by the Commissioners.

Joseph Maizlish addressed the Commission and presented an article he authored.

4. Discussion of future Commission meetings. (12-2960)

Eric Preven addressed the Commission.

On motion of Commissioner McDonnell, seconded by Commissioner Bonner, and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the following meeting dates:

July 27, 2012 August 3, 2012 September 7, 2012

III. PRESENTATIONS

5. Testimony from former and/or current Los Angeles Sheriff's Department personnel. (12-2923)

Captain Mike Bornman provided a brief history of his career with the Sheriff's Department and responded to questions by Executive Director Miriam Krinsky and the Commissioners regarding his experience at Men's Central Jail (MCJ) from 2009 through April 2010 and a series of investigations or reports that were not timely handled. Captain Bornman also provided recommendations for consideration by the Commission and noted that many of the recommendations have already been addressed by the Sheriff.

Open session recessed at 11:16 a.m. Present were Commissioners Bonner, Busansky, McDonnell, Moreno, Tevrizian, Vice Chair Murray and Chair Baird presiding.

Open session reconvened at 11:30 a.m. Present were Commissioners Bonner, Busansky, McDonnell, Moreno, Tevrizian, Vice Chair Murray and Chair Baird presiding.

Gordon Grbavac, member of the public, addressed the Commission regarding his arrest on September 9, 2009 and his experience while incarcerated.

Captain Patrick Maxwell of the Norwalk Sheriff Station responded to questions posed by General Counsel Richard Drooyan and the Commissioners regarding various occurrences in 2009 and 2010 and statements made by Undersheriff Paul Tanaka. Captain Maxwell indicated that although an oath was not given prior to his testimony as a sworn officer he could be terminated for making a false statement.

Open session recessed at 11:53 a.m. Present were Commissioners Bonner, Busansky, McDonnell, Moreno, Tevrizian, Vice Chair Murray and Chair Baird presiding.

Open session reconvened at 1:11 p.m. Present were Commissioners Bonner, Busansky, McDonnell, Moreno, Tevrizian, Vice Chair Murray and Chair Baird presiding. Commander Christy Guyovich, Commander Eric Parra, Commander Jim Hellmond, Commander Joseph Fennell, and Commander Paul Pietrantoni, members of the Commander Management Task Force responded to questions posed by Miriam Krinsky, Executive Director, Richard Drooyan, General Counsel, and the Commissioners regarding their mission to assess policies, procedures and training and their individual areas of focus.

Peter Eliasberg of the American Civil Liberties Union addressed the Commission.

Open session recessed at 3:07 p.m. Present were Commissioners Bonner, Busansky, McDonnell, Moreno, Tevrizian, Vice Chair Murray and Chair Baird presiding.

Open session reconvened at 3:16 p.m. Present were Commissioners Bonner, Busansky, McDonnell, Moreno, Tevrizian and Chair Baird presiding.

Lieutenant Brian Moriguichi, President of the Professional Peace Officer Association (PPOA) responded to questions posed by Deputy General Counsel Tammy Godley and the Commissioners regarding the PPOA Plan to improve the LA County Jails and issues relating to personnel and staffing.

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

6. Items not on the agenda, to be presented and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Commission, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take immediate action came to the attention of the Commission subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (12-2924)

There were no items addressed.

7. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. (12-2925)

Danya Hazen, Custody Assistant, addressed the Commission.

8. Adjournment. (12-2926)

There being no further business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.